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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: August 15, 2014

FULL BOARD:

REGULAR SESSION

August 27, 2014

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: **Resources Auditorium**
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

EXECUTIVE SESSION

August 26, 2014

Time: 4:30 p.m., or at the conclusion of Committees

Location: **Resources Auditorium**
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

August 26, 2014

Time: 8:30 a.m. - noon

Location: **Resources Auditorium**
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RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

August 26, 2014

Time: 9:00 a.m. – noon

Location: **Resources Bldg. Rm. 1506-12**
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

August 26, 2014

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location: **Resources Auditorium**
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Contact information: Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact George D. Gentry, Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at:

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Internet: The Full Board meeting will be simultaneously webcast by WebEx for **viewing/listening purposes only**, in addition to its regular meeting. Board members will be in attendance at the Resources Auditorium along with any members of the public that choose to attend. Members of the public may register online at the Board's web site (<http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>) in advance of the meeting. Audio and PowerPoint presentations will be available on line.

Public participation in the public comment portion of the meeting is in person at the meeting location.

The Board's Mission:

To lead California in developing policies and programs that serve the public interest in environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable management of forest and rangelands and a fire protection system that protects and serves the people of the state.

BOARD AGENDA

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1. Call to Order
2. Adjourn to Executive Session

Executive Session: (Closed to the Public) Discussion of Matters Related to Foresters Licensing such as Certifications; Voluntary Relinquishments; and/or Revocations of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications Under Section 11126 (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3) of the Government Code; Employee Evaluation Under 11126 (a)(1); also Discussion of Pending and Potential Litigation Under Section 11126 (e) of the Government Code. (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.) The Board will review :

PFEC Case #327

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3. Reconvene
4. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings.

MONTHLY BOARD REPORTS

5. Report of the Chairman.
6. Report of the Director/Department.
7. Report of the United States Forest Service. Jeanne Wade Evans, Deputy Regional Forester.
 - a. Region V Reforestation Efforts.
 - b. Rim Fire Reforestation.
 - c. Fire Season Update.
 - d. Region V Timber Sale Program.
 - e. Fuel reduction Programs.
8. Report of the Regulations Coordinator. The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report.
9. Report of Executive Officer. The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.
 - a. Update on Log Export regulations
 - b. Review of Effectiveness Monitoring Committee roster
 - c. Review on Legislation of Interest
 - d. Review of required State Responsibility Area Report
10. Report of the Standing Committees. Committee Chairpersons will report on the actionable items from Committee meetings. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to Committee recommendations. (See Committee Agendas which are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.)

- Forest Practice, Sue Britting, Chair

- Resource Protection, Bruce Saito, Chair
- Management Committee, Stuart Farber, Chair

11. Report of Board's Advisory Committees

- Forest Pest Council- Katie Harrell
- Range Management Advisory Committee- Kevin Conway
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee –Matt Dias.

The Executive Officer for Professional Foresters Registration will report on ongoing PFEC matters. **Possible Action Items:** Issuance of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications, Withdrawals, Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, Suspensions, Revocations, or other Actions.

SPECIAL BOARD HEARINGS/REPORTS

12. Presentation of the Francis H. Raymond Award for Outstanding Contributions to California Forestry.
Recipient: the Forestry Program of the University of California, Berkeley.

13. Pacific Gas and Electric Company Presentation on Drought Related Vegetation Management Efforts.
Niel Fischer.

14. Review of the Initial Study for the Soquel Demonstration State Forest Management Plan. Possible
Action Item: The Board may approve the Initial Study and authorize the appropriate CEQA document.

15. Summary of Wood for Salmon Working Group activities. Jonathan Warmerdam, NCRWQCB.

16. Report on "Marijuana Trespass Grows: Impacts to the Forested Landscape". George Gentry.

17. **Hearing: "Emergency Notice- Native American Notification Amendments, 2014".**

The Board is providing notice of modifications to the 45-day Notice rule text published March 28, 2014 and initially considered for adoption on June 18, 2014.

The formatting convention of the regulation was revised at these points:

- Section 929.1 [949.1, 969.1] (e)(1)(B)(1)
- Section 929.1 [949.1, 969.1] (e)(1)(B)(2)
- Section 929.1 [949.1, 969.1] (e)(1)(B)(2)(a)
- Section 929.1 [949.1, 969.1] (e)(1)(B)(2)(b)
- Section 929.1 [949.1, 969.1] (e)(1)(B)(2)(c)
- Section 929.1 [949.1, 969.1] (e)(1)(B)(3)
- Section 929.1 [949.1, 969.1] (e)(1)(B)(4)

Section 1052(a)(10), The previously added language to the regulatory proposal was deleted due to redundancy.

18. **Initial Hearing: "Forest Fire Prevention Pilot Project Exemption, 2014"**

Adopt: § 1038(j) Forest Fire Prevention Pilot Project Exemption

This rulemaking proposal will modify the maximum sized trees to be removed from 18 inches diameter at stump height to 24 inches diameter at stump height for a limited 3-year period. Guidance from the authors of AB 744 states that the bill is "intended to test the hypothesis that allowing the timber operator to harvest some trees slightly larger than allowed under the existing exemption would change the economics of the operation enough to facilitate fuel reduction treatments across larger portions of the landscape."

19. **Initial Hearing: "SRA Fire Safe Regulations Update, 2014"**

Amend:

- Article 2. Emergency Access
- § 1273.01 Road Width
- § 1273.02 Roadway Surface

§ 1273.05 Roadway Turnarounds
§ 1273.06 Roadway Turnouts
§ 1273.07 Roadway Structures
§ 1273.08 One-Way Roads
§ 1273.10 Driveways
§ 1273.11 Gate Entrances
§ 1274.01 Size of Letters, Numbers, and Symbols for Street and Road Signs
§ 1274.09 Size of Letters, Numbers, and Symbols for Addresses
§ 1275.00 Intent
§ 1275.01 Application
§ 1275.10 General Standards
§ 1275.15 Hydrant/Fire Valve
§ 1276.00 Intent
§ 1276.03 Greenbelts
Adopt:
§ 1276.04 Driveways

The regulations set standards for future design and construction of structures, subdivisions and developments in SRA and provide for basic emergency access and perimeter wildfire protection. This regulation makes several revisions to the existing regulations for the purpose of improving regulatory clarity and uniform implementation of wildfire protection standards association with residential subdivision development.

20. Initial Hearing: “Slash Treatment Amendments, 2014”

Amend:

§ 957 Hazard Reduction

§ 917.2, 937.2, 957.2 Treatment of Slash to Reduce Fire Hazard

This rulemaking proposal would result in providing reasonable timelines for landowners to treat slash piles that are generated from commercial timber operations, while still providing for the reduction of hazard that is associated with slash piles.

CONCLUSION

21. Public Forum.

Members of the public may address the Board **on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda**. Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the chairman. **Submit your request to address the Board under this item via supplied speaker cards prior to the item being called.**

22. New and Unfinished business. Adjournment.

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

August 26, 2014

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1. Discussion of Technical Rule Addendum #2, Cumulative Impacts Assessment.
2. Discussion of Oak Woodlands Restoration Draft Policy.
3. Discussion of the Sensitive Watershed Rule.
4. New and Unfinished Business, 2014 Priorities.
 - a. "Heavy Equipment" Classification for WLPZs re: Mechanical Feller-Bunchers.

Note: The Forest Practice Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

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Time: 9:00 a.m. – noon

Location: Resources Bldg. Rm. 1506-12

1416 Ninth Street

Sacramento, California

1. Update on Criminal Trespass issues.
2. Review of Potential Board Guidance and Regulations for the SRA Fee Grant Program.
3. Review of the Updates to the Office of Planning and Research Guidelines.
4. Review of Potential Regulations to Guide Safety Element Review.
5. Safety Element Reviews.
 - a. Grass Valley.
 - b. Trinity County
6. Update on the Forest Climate Action Team.
 - a. Biomass
7. New and unfinished business, 2014 Priorities.
 - a. Vegetation Treatment Plan Update.
 - b. Range Management Advisory Committee Update.

Note: The Resource Protection Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
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1. Review of the Initial Study for the Soquel Demonstration State Forest Management Plan.
2. Review of AB 904. Proposal is for the “Working Forest Management Plan”.
 - a. Pleading Language and submitted comments.
3. Update on the Program Timberland Environmental Impact Report (PTEIR) for Carbon Sequestration and Fuel Reduction Program, SB 862
4. Discussion of Small Landowner approaches to Forest Management.
 - a. Modified NTMP approach, Pleading Language
 - b. Small Landowner THP
5. New and Unfinished Business, Priorities for 2014.

Note: The Management Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

IMPORTANT BOARD MEETING INFORMATION

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SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN MATERIALS

The public is encouraged to comment on any item on the agenda. You may submit your comments by one of the following methods (only one is necessary): **E-mail to board.public.comments@fire.ca.gov, Fax to (916) 653-0989, or U.S. mail to Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, PO Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460.**

SPEAKING AT THE MEETING

If you wish to speak on an agenda item, please fill out a "Speaker Card" and give it to Board staff **BEFORE** the agenda item is heard. Cards will be available near the entrance of the meeting room.

- Individuals with a shared position are encouraged to select a spokesperson for their group.
- Individuals who sign up by the deadline will have a maximum of three minutes to speak. The three minute speaking time may be changed by the Chair, depending on the number of speakers. A speaker may not cede time to another speaker. The total amount of time to be allotted to a comment period is based upon the number of those wishing to comment, and will be announced by the Chair prior to the beginning of the comment period.
- The order of speakers will generally be based on random selection, but public officials may be taken out of order.
- The Chairman retains the right to stop any speaker who raises an issue that is not under the Board's jurisdiction.
- Beverages, food, and sticks or any other type of handle are strictly prohibited. Larger signs, or signs with handles, may be left in the area between the auditorium entrance and the security screening, for retrieval after the meeting.
- Speakers may bring written copies of their own comments to a Board meeting for distribution to the Members of the Board. Copies of the written comments shall be given to the Clerk of the Board who will ensure the appropriate distribution of the comments. Please provide eleven (11) copies
- The Board retains the right to remove disruptive attendees from the Board meeting.
- The Board reserves the right to override the above rules in case of emergency or other unforeseen circumstances.

WHEN WILL MY AGENDA ITEM BE HEARD?

The Board begins each session at the time listed on the Meeting Notice and generally considers each agenda item in the sequence listed, however, the Board may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits. The Board may also act on recommendations by its committees on items listed in their respective agendas, including recommendations for notice of rulemaking.

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